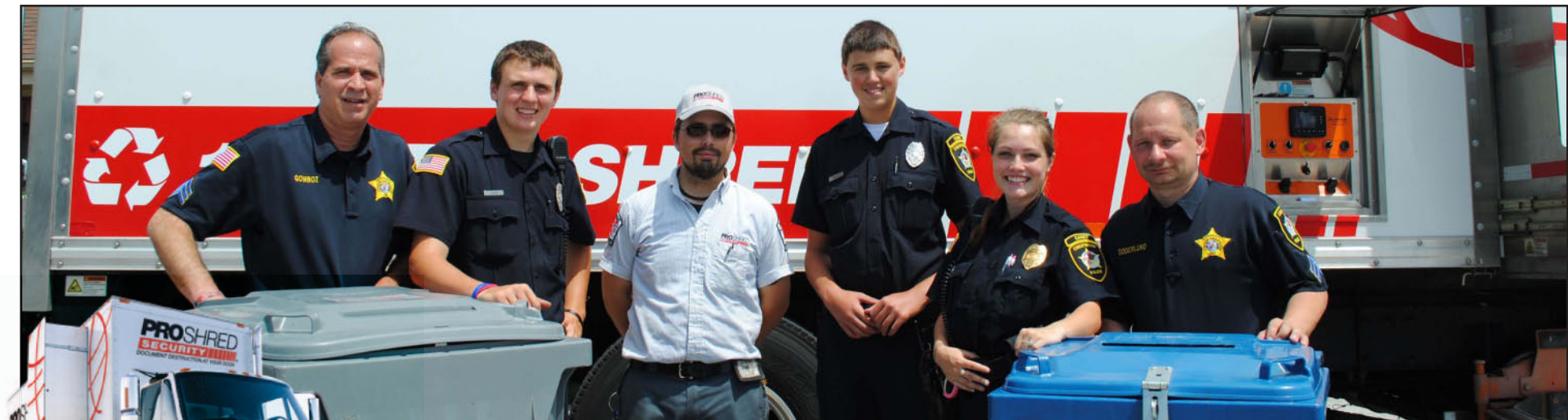


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Shredding Fundraiser for the Special Olympics A Cutting-Edge Success



Crestwood Police Sgt. Chris Soderlund, along with Crestwood's Police Cadets Robert Eber, Micheal Boyce, and Amy Quinlan, participated in the fundraiser with ProShred providing the shredding services.

Crestwood residents raised \$2,390 for the Special Olympics through the Crestwood police department's third annual document shredding event June 21. Shredding service was donated by ProShred Security.

"Crestwood's police department is one of the top departments in the state that raise money for the Special Olympics. This is a testament to the caliber of our residents who participate," said Crestwood police Sgt. Chris Soderlund.

ProShred Security, a Crestwood company, donated their time and services for the day, Soderlund said. The hundreds of residents and local business representatives who lined up to have their old tax returns, business records, bank statements and other documents with confidential personal information shredded brought more than 9,000 pounds of paper. One man even brought a van-load of documents. The fundraiser also serves as a crime prevention measure.

"We need to work together to prevent residents from becoming victims of fraud and identity theft," Soderlund said. "This is a great service we can provide."

The event overlapped with the procession down Cicero Avenue that honored Private First Class Aaron Toppen, a 19-year-old from Mokena who was killed in Afghanistan; so the police paused the shredding operations and passed out flags to the residents so they could pay their respects.

Soderlund said Crestwood will host the shredding event again next June with the date posted by April. The charge this year was \$10 for the first box and \$5 for each additional box, and shredding was done onsite while residents waited.



Top: Trustee Tony J. Benigno, Trustee Bill Pieroth, and Trustee Daniel Jurka Sr.
Below: Police Cadet Robert Eber and Mayor Lou Presta empty paper into bins.



BATTER UP! IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN FOR THE

2ND ANNUAL

Local Mayors will take on local area Fire Chiefs and Police Chiefs in a Charity Softball Match. All proceeds will go to benefit Special Olympics.

A Great Family Fun Event • Appearance by Dick Biondi • Raffle tickets and prizes • Food • Drinks • \$5 entry, children under 10 Free • Free Parking

Sunday, July 20th 2014

Standard Bank Stadium
Crestwood, Illinois

Doors Open at 3:00 pm
Game Start at 5:00 pm

Event Sponsored By:



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National Night Out Against Crime

The Crestwood Police Department is holding its 4th annual "National Night Out Against Crime" on **Tuesday, August 5th from 6:00-9:00 pm.**

This year's event will be held at Walker Park and promises to be our biggest ever.



Although we are still in the planning stages, here is a glimpse of what to expect:

Free Food and Drinks
Snow Cones
Music by Southside Music Solutions
K-9 Demonstrations

Crime Prevention Tips
Bounce House
School Supply Giveaway
and much more!!!!

Save the date and be sure to come out. Take some time to meet your neighbors and your local police officers.

REMINDER TO RESIDENTS

The following meetings in August are cancelled due to summer vacations.

Committee	August 5
Board	August 7

Meetings will take place as previously scheduled on:

August 19 @ 7:00pm	Committee
August 21 @ 8:00pm	Board

Village Meeting Schedule

Village Board Meetings - 8:00pm-10:00pm

Crestwood Civic Center | 14025 Kostner Ave | July 17th

Committee of the Whole - 7:00pm-9:00pm

Village Hall | 13840 S. Cicero Ave | July 15th

Planning Commission – Zoning Board 8:00pm-10:00pm

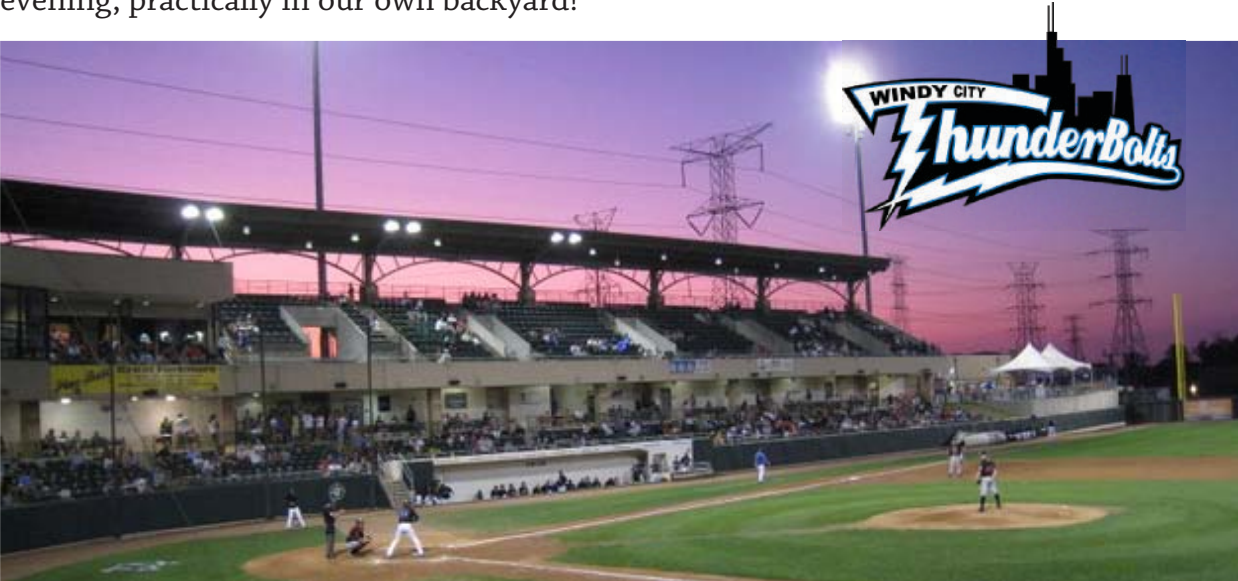
Village Hall | 13840 S. Cicero Ave | July 14th and 28th

Recreation Commission - 6:30pm-8:30pm

Village Hall | 13840 S. Cicero Ave | July 15th

FREE EVENT: ThunderBolts Game

On **Sunday, August 17**, at 5 pm, join friends and neighbors on a summer evening at the old ball game, for free. Courtesy of the Thunderbolts, tickets are available at the Village Hall with proof of residency, two tickets per ID. It promises to be a fun-filled evening, practically in our own backyard!





Torch Run News

As usual, June was a very busy month for the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics. In Crestwood, we started the month with the annual “Cop on a Rooftop” at Dunkin’ Donuts. With the perfect weather and some help from the athletes from Elim Christian Center, we raised a record-breaking \$10,026.

On June 13th, officers headed to Bloomington to run the final leg of the Torch Run and participate in the Opening Ceremonies of the Special Olympics Summer Games. The next day, our officers were on hand to issue medals to the athletes as they won their competitions.



ComEd Reports to the Village

Recently, ComEd External Affairs Manager Bonita Parker sat with Mayor Presta and Trustee Flynn to review their 2013 Annual Report for the Village. The report covered various ComEd 2013 performance items including system upgrades, customer service and technology enhancements as well as interruption history. Parker provided information for upgrading service to Crestwood customers to include smart grid systems, a result of the Energy Infrastructure Modernization Act (EIMA).

EIMA provides ComEd with the financial help needed to enhance its infrastructure, modernize its grid and install smart meters across the region. At the end of the program, the grid will be more resilient and consumers should realize significant savings. Crestwood can expect to see smart meters as early as 2015. The smart meters will allow for better communications with signaling to dispatch regarding outages, allow for monitoring energy consumption on smartphones, provide comparison for real-time energy pricing, eliminate estimated bills and allow for more prompt connect and disconnect. Crestwood will also be the distribution site for smart meters in the southland and the southern tip of Chicago.

On the Village outage reports, Parker shared that out of her 31 suburban communities, Crestwood fared well in restoration time. The average time was 152 minutes. Most of the outages examine were weather related; while the rest were caused by vegetation overgrowth and circuit updates.

ComEd has evolved here in town and is an active participant in community affairs. They have been supportive of many initiatives including the Shepard High School biodiesel program run by physics teacher Mr. Brian Sievers, our Touch A Truck event and Mayor Presta’s recent leadership event.

Thinking of Having a Garage Sale?



It’s that time of year! Before you set your date, come visit us at the Village Hall and get your permit. You can find an application sample under Building & Zoning Department on the village website. You must come into the Village Hall to obtain an actual permit and pay the appropriate fee.

Crestwood Garage Sale Days will be:
August 22 – 23. On these specific dates you still **MUST** have a permit but your **fee is WAIVED!**

VILLAGE PARKING NOTICE

Crestwood Village ordinance prohibits parking on ANY village street between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. The reason for this ordinance is so police will be alerted to abandoned vehicles or suspicious vehicles that require investigations. This ordinance also ensures that all streets throughout the Village will be open to fire and rescue equipment in the event of an overnight emergency. This is especially necessary in areas where narrow streets can block large fire trucks. We will continue to enforce this ordinance. Thank You for your cooperation with this ordinance. The initial fine for this violation is \$75.00. This is a Village-wide ordinance. **PLEASE BE SURE THAT YOUR LATE NIGHT AND OVERNIGHT GUESTS ARE MADE AWARE OF THIS AS WELL!**



We Watch, We Call!

Mayor Presta and the Board of Trustees have heard the requests of many to report crimes in our Village. Working with our Police Department, a compiled snapshot of a month's reporting will be shown here in the Adviser. We look forward to capturing a more detailed overview for our website in the near future. Our intent is to inform the public in order to protect and be vigilant in calling upon our Police. The Mayor urges all to stay tuned-in to your neighbors' well-being and property. Call our police, report suspicious activity, be aware. (911 or Dispatch non- Emergency 708-385-5131).

Thefts

05-22-2014: A resident reported that after going to the bank and withdrawing \$4,000, he left it in the center console of his unlocked vehicle that was parked in the 136th block of Springfield and that unknown suspects stole the money.

05-22-2014: Unknown suspects stole several catalytic converters from the vehicles that were parked in the car lot in the 139th block of Cicero.

05-27-2014: Unknown suspects stole the catalytic converter from a Honda in the 140th block of Laramie.

Retail Thefts

05-01-2014: A 19 year old male was arrested at Kohl's after attempting to steal \$151 worth of clothing. The suspect also provided incorrect information about his date of birth claiming to be a juvenile. The suspect was charged with retail theft and obstructing identification.

05-19-2014: A female was arrested for stealing eight bottles of vodka from Target with a value of \$234.00. She was charged with retail theft. She also had a warrant for her arrest for retail theft.

05-31-2014: A female was arrested at Walmart for stealing \$285.00 worth of baby formula.

Seven people were issued local ordinance citations for retail theft during the month of May.

Armed Robbery/ Burglary

05-21-2014: A black male subject entered the Shell Gas Station at 138th/Pulaski and displayed a handgun and demanded money and cigarettes. The suspect then fled on foot northbound from the gas station.

05-28-2014: A home was burglarized in the 5500 block of 129th Street. Unknown suspects entered the unlocked residence and took several items.

Deceptive Practice/Suspicious Circumstances

05-02-2014: A female reported that when she attempted to open an account with Comcast, she was advised that someone had already opened an account with her information.

05-02-2014: A female reported that she received a letter from a bank advising her that someone attempted to open several accounts with her information.

05-06-2014: An elderly resident received a phone call advising her that she had won money from the Publishers Clearing House. The caller advised that in order to obtain her winnings, she needed to go and purchase a prepaid debit card and call back with the information. Instead, the resident called her daughter who recognized this was a scam.



05-22-2014: A resident reported that after filing for her income tax refund, she was advised the refund was denied because someone had already filed for her refund. She has also started receiving letters of attempts to open credit card accounts in her name.

05-28-2014: A resident reported that her identity had been stolen and numerous attempts to open accounts have occurred since 2013.

Criminal Damage to Property

05-23-2014: Unknown suspects punctured the tire on a vehicle in the 5500 block of 128th Place.

05-29-2014: A resident observed four juveniles enter his vehicle in the 129th block of Crestbrook Court. The resident shouted and the juveniles all fled through Playfield Park.

No License/Suspended Driver Arrest

05-04-2104: A male was arrested for speeding, driving with a suspended license, and illegal transportation of alcohol in the 4800 block of Midlothian Turnpike.

05-04-2014: A male was involved in an accident at 131st/Cicero and was arrested for driving with a suspended license and operating a vehicle without insurance.

05-08-2014: A female was arrested for driving with a suspended license in the 5000 block of Cal-Sag Road.

05-17-2014: A female was arrested for driving with a suspended license in the 4300 block of 135th Street.

From the Desk of Police Chief David Weigand



As the Chief of Police, one of my responsibilities is to review each police report that is made and ensure that a proper follow-up investigation is completed. Far too often, I read reports and find that a citizen, usually a senior citizen, has become the victim of one of the many scams that take place today. I would ask that you take a few minutes and read about the following scams that are occurring. Please try to educate your family members, especially the elderly, so together we can try to prevent others from falling prey to these con artists.

Phishing Emails and Phony Web Pages

This is the most widespread Internet and email scam today. "Phishing" is where digital thieves lure you into divulging your password info through convincing emails and web pages. These phishing emails and web pages resemble legitimate credit authorities like Citibank, Chase Bank, or PayPal.

They frighten or entice you into visiting a phony web page and entering your ID and password. Commonly, the guise is an urgent need to "confirm your identity." They will even offer you a story of how your account has been attacked by hackers to lure you into entering your confidential information. The email message will require you to click on a link. Instead of leading you to the real login site, the link will secretly redirect you to a fake website. You then innocently enter your ID and password.

Lottery Scams

Most of us dream of hitting it big, quitting our jobs and retiring while still young enough to enjoy the finer things in life. Chances are you will receive at least one intriguing email from someone saying that you did indeed win a huge amount of money. The visions of a dream home, fabulous vacation, or other expensive goodies you could now afford with ease, could make you forget that you have never even entered this lottery in the first place. This scam will usually come as a conventional email message. It will inform you that you won millions of dollars and congratulate you repeatedly. The catch: before you can collect your "winnings," you must pay the "processing" fee of several thousands of dollars.

Stop! The moment the bad guys get your cash, you lose.

Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes
If you receive a check claiming to be from a legitimate sweepstakes and are asked to cash it and wire or send a portion back -- STOP -- you are the victim of a scam.

If you receive a telephone call from someone claiming you have won a sweepstakes prize but are asked to send money to claim it -- STOP--you are the victim of a scam.

If you receive an e-mail notifying you that you have won a major sweepstakes prize, but are asked to provide personal financial information, or send money to claim the prize -- **STOP--you are the victim of a scam.- Don't believe promises of easy money. If An Offer Sounds Too Good to Be True, Think Twice -- It Usually Is!**



Speeding Issues



Speeding automobiles are one of Crestwood residents' most commonly cited concerns. In residential neighborhoods, fast moving traffic can be noisy, endanger pedestrians and children playing outside, and be very unpleasant for residents.

Surprisingly, most speeding drivers are actually residents of the neighborhood in which they speed. The first step you can take to help end speeding and traffic problems is to drive the way you would like others to drive in your neighborhood. By driving carefully and at proper speeds, you can make sure that you are not part of the problem and set a good example. Your driving helps demonstrate to others what is and is not acceptable in your neighborhood.

The Crestwood Police Department is starting a yard sign campaign encouraging residents to display our “Please Slow Down” signs. The signs are available at the police department for \$10. The next step of this campaign will be enforcement. Officers will be in the neighborhoods looking for speeders and stop sign violators.

Remember, if you get a ticket, you could face the following: court appearance, expensive fines and cost (\$140 per citation), and higher insurance rates.

**Together We Can Make A Difference
To Keep Our Community Safe**

Crestwood Area Fire Departments Rescue Teens from Tinley Creek



Chief of Crestwood Fire Dept. Jon Bruce

The light tower on the back of one of the fire trucks was instrumental in getting the teens out of the creek, especially since one girl had to be extricated from the upside-down vehicle on that rainy, muddy night. The car was smashed and unstable, Bruce said, requiring the use of the Jaws of Life, a hydraulic tool that helps firefighters separate car parts from people. Firefighters were standing in the creek, up to their knees in mud, when they pulled the girl out of the vehicle and raised her up the 12 foot embankment using a backboard.

Three of the teens went to Christ Hospital and one went to Palos Community Hospital. Their injuries were non life-threatening, according to news reports.



Four teens were injured June 20th when their car fell into Playfield Park's creek.

Friend or Family Stranded and Needs Money

It works like this. You get an email from a friend saying they are stranded away from home, wallet and passport stolen. He or she asks you to send a money transfer urgently. If you think it’s real, you might send the money quickly without thinking it’s a trick. The scammer is hoping the victims will act quickly, without calling the person or checking with other friends first.

Con Artists

Spring and summer are very active times for con artists’ criminal activities. Two major crimes by con artists are home repair fraud and ruse entry burglary.

Con artists generally work in teams of two to six. One usually works as a lookout, sitting in a vehicle ready to pull away and sounding the car horn if police are spotted.

Con artists, short for “confidence artists,” who commit these crimes are usually career criminals. They are adept at gaining your confidence long enough to take your money. They may impersonate a home repair professional, an old friend you haven’t seen in a long time, or even a utility worker.

Home Repair Fraud:

Con artists may cruise residential neighborhoods searching for people outside their homes. Once they locate someone they perceive could be easily manipulated, they approach and offer to do some sort of home repair work (driveway seal coating, tree trimming, roof repairs, etc). The price might be very low or very high. If the price quoted is low, generally when the work is completed, they ask for a lot more money. Any work done is usually substandard. If given the opportunity, the suspects may burglarize the home while one distracts the homeowner.

Ruse entry (burglary):

After selecting a home through profiling, a con artist will claim to be a utility worker, city employee or contractor. They will enter the home, using the ruse of checking something (water pressure, fuses, pipes, etc). While one of the team keeps the victim occupied (running water, checking lights, or even directing the homeowner to the rear of the house to look out the back window), one or more of the team enter the home undetected and commit a burglary.

How to Protect Yourself:

Never allow someone to perform driveway sealing or home repairs on the spot. Ask for a business card and company photo ID card to check the

reputation of the business, and END THE CONVERSATION. If possible, get a vehicle plate number and inform the police department of the activity. Do NOT deliberate or debate work that needs to be done, since the con artist will press a sense of urgency.

Never allow a stranger into your home. If someone claims they need assistance, tell them you will contact the police to assist them. If they tell you they are with a utility company, call the utility company the verify the job assignment. If you are approached while you are outside, do not let anyone roam on your property. This usually gives them an opportunity to check for open doors while you are distracted.

If at any time you feel that you have been approached by someone attempting one of these scams, CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY.





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Boys and Girls Youth Basketball League (4 Years Old thru 2nd Grade)

Everybody plays, everybody wins in the Crestwood Recreation Basketball League. Smaller balls and lower goal height will be used to give the players an opportunity to make more shots and build self confidence. No score is kept for the younger division so there is no pressure to win, just to have fun. Players will learn passing, shooting, dribbling and game play through **3 practices** and **5 games** on Saturdays. **No games November 29.**

Teams are divided:

4 yrs - Kindergarten (boys and girls)

1st and 2nd Grade (boys and girls)

Days: Saturdays

(A coach will contact you regarding times)

Dates: October 18—December 13

Fees: \$63 Residents / \$68 Non-Residents
(Includes a team shirt & a medal/trophy)

Code: 120013-A.....4 yrs - Kindergarten
120013-B.....1st and 2nd Grade

(Registration deadline—Wed, Sept 10)

Boys and Girls Youth Basketball League (3rd and 4th Grade)

Everybody plays, everybody wins in the Crestwood Recreation Basketball League. The 3rd and 4th grade division will play on regulation height rims and use a junior size ball. Score is kept on our electric scoreboard. Players will learn passing, shooting, dribbling and game play through **8 practices** and **5 games** on Saturdays. Four (4) practices will be scheduled during the week by the coach once games begin. **No games November 29.**

Days: Saturdays

(A coach will contact you regarding times)

Dates: October 18—December 13

Fees: \$73 Residents / \$78 Non-Residents
(Includes a team shirt & a trophy)

Code: 120013-C....3rd and 4th Grade

(Registration deadline—Wed, Sept 10)

Register Now!

Registration Deadline
Wednesday, September 10, 2014

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Friday
5:30 AM—7:00 PM
Saturday—Sunday
7:15 AM—4:00 PM

ALL INCLUSIVE MEMBERSHIPS

16 years of age and older
Membership privileges include access to the indoor pool (lap, open, family swims, water fitness classes), whirlpool, fitness center, group exercise classes, indoor track, sport courts and locker room.

Crestwood Residents	Non—Residents
<u>Individual</u>	<u>Individual</u>
Annual \$280	Annual \$360
6 months \$190	6 months \$255
Monthly \$33	Monthly \$45
<u>Seniors (65+)</u>	<u>Seniors (65+)</u>
Annual \$195	Annual \$245
6 months \$175	6 months \$235
Monthly \$33	Monthly \$45

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16 years of age and older
Membership privileges include access to the fitness center, indoor track, sport courts and locker room.

Crestwood Residents	Non—Residents
<u>Individual</u>	<u>Individual</u>
Annual \$200	Annual \$280
6 months \$115	6 months \$190
Monthly \$20	Monthly \$33
<u>Seniors (65+)</u>	<u>Seniors (65+)</u>
Annual \$145	Annual \$195
6 months \$115	6 months \$190
Monthly \$20	Monthly \$33

AQUATIC MEMBERSHIPS

16 years of age and older
Membership privileges include access to the indoor pool (lap, open, family swims), whirlpool, indoor track, sport courts and locker room.

Crestwood Residents	Non—Residents
<u>Individual</u>	<u>Individual</u>
Annual \$190	Annual \$265
6 months \$115	6 months \$190
Monthly \$20	Monthly \$33
<u>Seniors (65+)</u>	<u>Seniors (65+)</u>
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Monthly \$20	Monthly \$33



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Seamless Summer Free Breakfast program



Cook County School District 130 will provide free breakfast for children ages 18 and younger June 16 through July 18 through the Seamless Summer Food and Nutrition Service Program. All breakfasts, served from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on weekdays, will be at Nathan Hale Middle School at 5220 W. 135th St. in Crestwood. There will be no breakfast service on Friday, July 4.

Cook County School District 130 Announces Fall 2014-2015 Registration



Cook County School District 130 will host registration for the 2014-2015 school year for students entering kindergarten through eighth grade on Tuesday, August 5th and Wednesday, August 6th from 12 pm to 7 pm at the following locations:

Nathan Hale Middle School, 5220 W. 135th Street in Crestwood
(for students attending Nathan Hale Primary, Nathan Hale Intermediate, Nathan Hale Middle, and George Washington Schools)

Fall 2014-2015 registration for the Early Childhood Program will be held Monday, August 4th and Tuesday, August 5th from 12 pm to 7 pm at Horace Mann School, 2975 W. Broadway in Blue Island, for students attending Horace Mann School and Nathan Hale Pre-K Center.

Registration packets were distributed at the end of the school year and are also available for download on the District’s website, www.district130.org. Individuals without internet access are encouraged to visit their local library to download packets. A \$10 fee will be assessed if registration is not completed and all applicable fees are not paid during designated registration dates. Visa, MasterCard, Discover and debit cards are accepted in addition to money orders and cash. Personal checks will not be accepted.

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Saturday - Eyebrow Wax - \$6.99

Top 10 from Shepard’s Graduating Class of 2014

Shepard High School in Palos Heights proudly announces that the students listed below graduated with the 10 highest grade point averages for the class of 2014. Each has merited Honors with Distinction, the highest classification possible, for earning a GPA above 4.0 (possibly due to weighted grades for Honors and Advanced Placement courses.) All 10 also qualified for National Honor Society and received Illinois State Scholar honors this year. The top 10 graduates are:

- Hussein Al-Rashdan – Captain of the volleyball team and a Mathletes state qualifier; Hussein also competed in Scholastic Bowl and soccer at Shepard. He will study engineering at Columbia University.
- Kyler Ayres – A rugby and hockey player, Kyler also participated in Mathletes and Science Club. Next fall, Kyler will begin studies in engineering at Grand Valley State University.
- Corey Galvin – Corey competed in Mathletes, track, cross country and soccer at Shepard. Next fall, Corey will begin studies in mechanical engineering at University of Iowa.
- Kimberly Kosman – Vice-president of National Honor Society and president of Leo Club; Kimberly earned Commended Student status from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. She also participated in speech team, Relay for Life, Group Interpretation, and peer mentors. Next fall, she will begin studies in chemical engineering at the University of Notre Dame.
- Joshua Maier – Co-captain of the South Suburban Conference champion cross country and track teams; Josh also competed in baseball and Mathletes. He will study mechanical engineering on an athletic scholarship at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.
- Enrique Montoya – Captain of the Shepard speech team; Enrique also participated in Mathletes, Group Interpretation, Contest Play, and improv theater. Enrique, who has received a four-year full scholarship to the University of Pennsylvania, will study mathematics.
- Michael Peretz – President of Science Club and Spanish Club and an officer for student council; Michael earned Commended Student honors



The graduates who finished with the 10 highest GPAs in the senior class from Shepard High School. From left, (front) Kimberly Kosman, Michael Peretz, (second row) Enrique Montoya, Hussein Al-Rashdan, (third row) Nicholas Zuiker, Rawan Zayed, (back row) Corey Galvin, Janek Wasag, Kyler Ayres, and Josh Maier

- from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. He also participated in speech team, Mathletes, improv theater, Relay for Life, freshman mentors, and Class Officers. Michael will begin studies in computer science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- Janek Wasag – Janek participated in Science Bowl and Mathletes and competed in soccer, cross country, and track at Shepard. Next fall, Janek will begin studies in electrical engineering at the Illinois Institute of Technology.
- Nicholas Zuiker - Co-captain of the South Suburban Conference champion cross country and track teams; Nicholas qualified for the state finals as a Mathlete. He will study aerospace engineering at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- Rawan Zayed – A member of Mathletes, student council, Spanish Club, and student ambassadors; Rawan also competed for the South Suburban Conference champion girls soccer team. She will attend Loyola University Chicago next fall to study biology.

Astros Travel to Greece and Germany



Students pose in front of windmills on Greek island Mykonos.



Students on the Germany trip toured Germersheim, a city in western Germany.



Shepard Germany exchange students visited a museum on their last day in Berlin.

Shepard High School students toured Greek theatre history in June with a trip to Athens and the Greek islands.

Shepard’s drama club sponsor, Jeff Vazzana, led the 23 students along with a mixture of parents, grandparents and faculty in their eight-day exploration of huge Greek amphitheaters, the ruins at Delphi, the Acropolis, Poseidon’s Temple at Cape Sounion, and more. The students even climbed a volcano at Santorini, soaking in the stunning views of the Grecian landscape.

Vazzana said he plans to take students to the London’s Globe Theatre, Stratford-upon-Avon and Dublin during next year’s spring break.

Several other Shepard students in German classes traveled to Germany this June and early July with teacher Jennifer Fischer as part of an exchange program that has a 25-year history. They visited Berlin,

Germersheim, and Frankfurt. In Berlin, they saw the Kudamm, the Reichstag, the Stasi Museum, and Checkpoint Charlie, which are famous pieces of German history. They even joined 200,000 Germans in front of Brandenburg Gate in Berlin to watch Germany win against Portugal in soccer on the big screen.

Vazzana said, “It’s incredible how much international travel changes kids’ perspectives on our own country. They become global citizens. One of our students, Kyle Longfield, knew that he wanted to do something with sales when he grew up, but now he’s expanded his thinking globally and is considering what he has to do to go into global sales and marketing. It’s a trip like this that gives students perspective and provides them opportunities to grow. Shepard’s excellent at giving kids the opportunity to grow not only in the classroom, but as individuals, and I’m happy that I can be a part of that.”



Shepard Students Recycle Your Used Vegetable Cooking Oil

Students from Shepard High School are collecting used vegetable cooking oil that they will convert to biodiesel fuel as part of an after-school and weekends program. Please bring only used vegetable oil, not motor oil or animal fat oil, in sealed containers to the Crestwood Public Works building at 14040 S. Kildare Monday through Friday, 8 am to noon, throughout July. For more information, contact **Mr. Brian Sievers at Brian.Sievers@chsd218.org**.

Shepard JROTC Closes Year with Awards Ceremony

The U.S. Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps program at Shepard High School concluded its academic year recently with an awards ceremony honoring cadets who distinguished themselves.

Many national organizations presented awards to students for scholastic excellence, JROTC leadership and involvement, conduct, and military bearing. Students named the top cadets in their academic class include freshman Joseph Guzman, sophomore Diana Burke, junior Josh Reynolds, and senior Rebecca Bird.

Aerospace Education Foundation Academic Badge for scholastic excellence: *Jonathan Kalabich, Gabriella Ramirez , Michael Reddy, and Steven Reddy*

Air Commando Association Award for integrity, leadership, and self-discipline: *Jonathan Kalabich*

Air Force Association Award - leadership and academic achievement in a non-senior cadet: *Jonathan Kalabich*
Josh Reynolds



Major Dan Johnson and students saluted each other at the U.S. Air Force JROTC program's annual awards ceremony at Shepard High School.

Celebrate Freedom Foundation/Embry Riddle Aeronautical University Award for positive attitude, judgment, and outstanding academic achievement: *Diana Burke*

Daughters of the American Revolution Award for dependability and good character, discipline, and leadership: *Marquise Owens*

Kitty Hawk Air Society award for academic excellence, community service, and leadership: *David Jones, Jonathan Kalabich, Gabriella Ramirez,*

Josh Reynolds, Tyler Timmer, and Christian Wallace

Military Order of the Purple Heart Award for leadership, support of JROTC activities, and academic achievement: *Tyler Timmer*

National Sojourners Award for leadership and academic excellence and Air Force Sergeants Association Award for academic excellence, leadership, and discipline: *Susanna Guitierrez*

Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction Award for academic excellence, dependability, patriotism, and self-discipline and Sons of the American Revolution Award for academic achievement, leadership, military bearing and excellence in AFJROTC and Military Officers Association of America award for military leadership, academic achievement, and character and Veterans of Foreign Wars Award for military bearing and conduct, academic excellence and American Legion AFJROTC General Military Excellence Award - cadets who best exemplify leadership, citizenship and character, and community service: *Josh Reynolds*

Tuskegee Airmen Incorporated Award for academic excellence and contributions to JROTC: *Diana Burke, Joseph Guzman, and Jaretzi Salinas*

The Junior ROTC curriculum includes history, leadership, citizenship, physical fitness, and military drill. Students who enroll in JROTC, which fulfills the district’s physical education requirement, do not have any obligation to enlist in the military after high school.

GET UP & GET OUT!!!

OAK FEST July 2nd - 6th

Welcome to Oak Fest 2014! This year's Oak Fest is sure to have all of your favorites and some new surprises and as always ADMISSION IS FREE!! Come out early on July 4th to grab a spot for our always Spectacular Fireworks Extravaganza at dusk!! Brought to you by Mad Bomber Fireworks. Stop in for dinner or just to listen to some of your favorite Oak Fest bands, play some games or throw some bags. The Oak Fest Committee is proud to give Oak Forest the Best Fest on the Southside!! Please remember that every dollar raised goes right back to the community. Check out **oakfest.com** for more details.

159th & Central Avenue | Oak Forest, IL | For more info: 630-306-7516

Vineyards and Wineries in Illinois

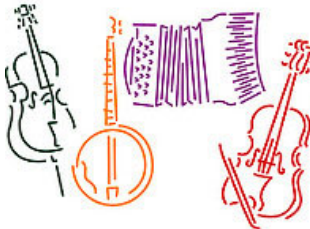
Illinois is now home to over 450 vineyards and 100 wineries as of 2014. The winemaking process was introduced to Illinois in 1778 by French settlers in the Peoria area, which is home to Illinois' first winemaking press and vault. Illinois is the 4th largest state in wine production, according to **www.illinoiswine.com**. The Owl Creek, Alto, and Ponoma Valley Wineries created a Shawnee Wine Trail in 1995. Illinois enlists about six types of grapes suited for our climate, all producing different notes of plum, cherry, oak, apple, pear and melon.



State Wines Tasting - August 8-17th, 2014 - Noon - 10 pm
Illinois State Fair - Springfield , IL - Located in Twilight Ballroom
More info: (217) 726-8518 | **www.agr.state.il.us**

Music In The Plaza - Summer Concert Series - July 12th

Enjoy music under the stars. Food and beverages are available. Don't forget your lawn chairs and blankets.
Zabrocki Plaza | 17375 Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, IL | More info: 708-444-5678



Robbins Walk Against Violence - July 26th

The Village of Robbins in collaboration with YWCA Metropolitan Chicago presents Robbins Walk Against Violence a 3K/1.5K Run/Walk. Help us "Talk the Talk by Walking the Walk". All funds will be donated to YWCA Metropolitan Chicago and the Robbins Festival Committee Fund to be used for the Annual Back-to-School Festival. \$10.00 participation fee. Time: 8AM-12PM.

13600 South Sawyer Avenue | Robbins, IL | 708-385-8940

Irish Cultural Camp - August 5-7th

Focus will be on Irish sport, dance, music, art, language, drama, mythology, storytelling, history and much more! Open for children aged 6 to 14 years.

Location: At Chicago Gaelic Park. Event start at 9:30am and ending between 2:30 and 3pm Cost \$70 per child, \$5.00 discount for additional siblings. Includes lunch & snacks.

Registration forms can be picked up in the Front Office at Gaelic Park or call 708-687-9323 for more details.

Palos Heights Classic Car Event - July 17th - 5-9pm

The 11th Annual Classic Car Show Fundraiser for Palos Heights Beautification committees. Over 500 classic cars on display. There will be a DJ, Live Band, and free give aways for our raffle car that night. A 1967 Buick Skylark Convertible. Tickets \$20.00 or 6 for \$100.00.

Harlem Avenue; from 122nd Street to 125th Street | Palos Heights, IL | More info: 708-334-4848



Friendship Festival & Carnival July 10th - 13th

Friendship Festival offers free parking, admission, entertainment, pony rides, petting zoo and family fun. Enjoy great food, popular bands, crafts, classic cars and tons of fun. Thursday 6-10:30 pm; Friday 6 pm-12am; Saturday 12 pm-12 am; Sunday 1-10:30 pm.

107th & 88th Avenue | Palos Hills, IL | More info: 708-430-4500

Oak Forest Park District

Farmer’s Market
2014

Join us again this year for our
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The market will run every Saturday
7:00am - 12:00pm, May 31st through October 11
in the Oak Forest Metra/CVS Parking Lot
on the corner of 159th St. and Cicero Ave.

Keep in mind, due to the time of the season some
produce isn’t typically available until the 1st week in July.

Fresh produce

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Salsa

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products

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Be sure to keep an eye out for special events and
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To kick off the season we will have face painting and
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Crestwood Pays Respects to Fallen Private First Class Aaron Toppen



PFC Aaron Toppen lost his life June 9 serving in Afghanistan.

Crestwood residents, police, and fire department personnel honored fallen Private First Class Aaron Toppen and his family as they proceeded down Cicero Avenue Saturday, June 21st in a motorcade escort. Toppen, a 19-year-old from Mokena, was one of five soldiers killed June 9th in a friendly-fire incident in Afghanistan during a U.S. airstrike called in after his unit was ambushed by the Taliban.

Family and friends said Toppen was a deeply patriotic, kind young man who loved fishing and country music. He was a graduate of Lincoln-Way East High School in Frankfort. Toppen has been awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with campaign star, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon and the NATO Medal.

A great turnout of Crestwood residents, both young and old, paid their respects to Toppen, lining the avenue's sidewalks as his casket was escorted by police, fire department and army vehicles as well as group of motorcycle riders from the American Lawmen Motorcycle Club, American Knights Motorcycle Club, and the Patriot Guard Riders, as the procession made its way through Crestwood from Midway Airport to Vandenburg Funeral Home in Mokena.

The Crestwood Fire Department showed their respect by laying down their gear and helmets and flashing their trucks' emergency lights in front of the station. The afternoon shift of Crestwood police officers came in early so that two shifts could be made available to manage traffic control. Toppen was buried Tuesday, June 24 at St. John's Cemetery in Mokena.



Crestwood honored PFC Toppen June 21st as the motorcade drove down Cicero Avenue.

Movie in the Park "FROZEN" Friday, August 1st



Gates open at 7 pm
Movie starts at 8 pm
Admission is FREE
Concessions will be available

Event is operated in part by the Windy City ThunderBolts, Village of Crestwood, and the Crestwood Recreation Commission.

Crestwood Residents Enjoy A Truckload of Fun at Touch A Truck

More than 1,000 people shared in children's delightful exploration of dozens of trucks on June 14th at Crestwood's second annual Touch A Truck event.

It wasn't hard to keep the children engaged - the event included truck demonstrations and free rides on Canadian Railroad Police's Obie mini train, not to mention the children's incredible opportunity to ride, touch and climb in trucks ranging from a Republic Waste Management garbage truck and Crestwood fire trucks to tow trucks and a Cook County Sheriff's bomb squad truck. Ambulances, a cement truck, a Cook County highway department plow truck, a tractor, a Pepsi truck, and a prisoner transport van also lined the parking lot at Rivercrest Shopping Center, in addition to a 9/11 Tribute car.

The free, wonderful-for-families event was organized by Crestwood's Public Safety Director Mark Koz and his staff, Captain Kevin McAuliffe with the fire department, and Commander Dave Alexander with the police department. They plan to host the event again next year on the Saturday before Father's Day.

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Happy Birthday, Mr. Sievers!

Vernon V. Sievers, a World War II and Korean War veteran, is turning 94 on July 13. Mr. Sievers served as a tailgunner in medium bombers in the Pacific and flew out of Johnston Island during World War II. In the Korean War, Mr. Sievers was stationed aboard the aircraft carrier Valley Forge.

We wish Mr. Sievers a Very Happy Birthday!





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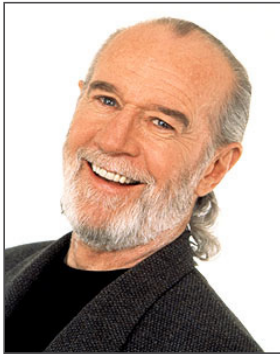
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Senior Trip!!!!

Crestwood seniors enjoyed the day on Monday, June 16th at the Baker House in Lake Geneva. Pictured here is Bernadine & Carol havin lunch with their big, beautiful hats.






"Have you ever noticed that anybody driving slower than you is an idiot, and anyone going faster than you is a maniac?" — George Carlin

Village & Biela Center Happenings

Unless otherwise indicated, all listed events are at the Biela Center, 4545 Midlothian Turnpike.

For more Information
708-371-4860

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
		1 Pre - 4th July Party		2 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:30 p.m. Crestwood Seniors 1:00 p.m. Movie		3 12:00 p.m. Cards 1:00 p.m. Movie		4  CLOSED 	
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21 11:15 a.m. Fitness 1:00 p.m. Movie		22 12:00 p.m. Dessert 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie		23 11:15 a.m. Fitness 1:00 p.m. Movie		24 12:00 p.m. Cards 1:00 p.m. Movie		25 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:00 p.m. Dessert 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie	
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July 2014

Look What’s Cooking!!!

Lunch and bingo or a movie for over 50

Friday, July 4	Closed - Happy 4th of July
Tuesday, July 8	Italian Sausage
Friday, July 11	Ham Sandwich
Tuesday, July 15	Pizza
Friday, July 18	Hot Dogs
Tuesday, July 22	Dessert & Bingo
Friday, July 25	Dessert & Bingo
Tuesday, July 29	Sloppy Joe

Enjoy a delicious lunch (\$3.00) at the Biela Center at noon. Bingo and a movie start at 1 p.m.. Please help us by making reservations. Reservations for Tuesday lunch must be made by 4 p.m. Friday and reservations for Friday lunch must be made by 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Movies of the month to be shown at the Biela Center

Thank you to the Crestwood Library for donating these movies for our seniors to watch.

June-July 3	“Gravity”
July 7-11	“How to Train Your Dragon”
July 14-18	“Saving Mr. Banks”
July 21-25	“March of the Penguins”
July 28 - August 1	“Phantom of the Opera”

Movies are shown Monday through Friday at 1 p.m.

Never A Dull Moment at the Biela Center

By now you know the Biela Center is located at 4545 Midlothian Turnpike, but do you know what goes on a daily basis? Senior citizens, you never have to be bored again.

Take a look at the many activities that wait for you here:

*Choose a senior fitness group that works best for you-one, two, or three times a week.

*Keep your driving privileges, and your freedom, by attending one of our frequent Rules of the Road classes held throughout the year.

*Every week we offer free movies for your enjoyment in a relaxed atmosphere.

*Lunch and bingo are offered Tuesdays and Fridays all year at the Biela Center.

*Free blood pressure and hearing screenings are offered every month.

*Join us for some of our group trips to casinos, plays, theaters, and other interesting venues.

Chicago South Elks Lodge 1596

The Elks, in cooperation with the Biela Center, continue to collect pop-tabs for Ronald McDonald House as well as eyeglasses, greeting cards, used cell phones and chargers for other charities.

For more information, contact the Elks at 708-597-7465 or the Biela Center at 708-371-4860.

Sorry....No refunds can be made

We’ve often experienced last-minute cancellations for our various day trips. We have to make it clear that when reservations are confirmed, refunds will not be issued.

Therefore, no refunds can be given for any trip unless we have a waiting list or if you can find a replacement for your reserved space. When you register for a trip, you have two weeks to decide before payment.

Please arrive 15 minutes before scheduled departure time for a trip. We do publish the scheduled departure time for our trips. Your cooperation will be appreciated. Many passengers are very sensitive to strong perfumes and aftershaves. We ask that you think of others if you use them.

Senior Fitness Offered at the Biela Center

The Biela Center offers a great fitness class one, two, or three times a week, and you can work at your own pace. Feel better and sleep better.

Diana Esparza, our instructor, will guide you through your special needs. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 11:15 a.m.

The cost is \$30 for 24 classes, \$20 for 16 classes, \$10 for eight classes or a \$2 daily fee.

CASINO TRIPS

When making casino reservations, please have your card number or address and date of birth. Remember, you must have a valid picture ID at the casino....Winning more than \$1,199 requires showing your social security card.....!

Horseshoe Casino

Don't stay home!!! Enjoy a summer's day at the Horse-shoe Casino in Hammond, Indiana. The trip includes motorcoach transportation and a buffet lunch.

When: Monday, July 28th
Depart: 9 a.m. – return 4:30 p.m.
Cost: \$27

Grand Victoria Casino October 8th

Join us a day of gambling in Elgin at the Grand Victoria Casino!!!

When: Wednesday, October 8th
Depart: 9 am ; return 4pm
Cost: \$27 (Includes buffet)

Call to make your reservations NOW!!! This trip will up fast.

Trips for "2014"

Shipshewana

Join us for a fun-filled day in Shipshewana, Indiana. We will start the day shopping at the Midwest's Largest Flea market. Then on to various shops - E&S Sales, Yoder Popcorn, the Cheese Factory and the Amish shops at Es-senhaus Restaurant. Trip is sure to fill-up fast!!!!

When: Wednesday, September 10th
Time: Depart 7:30am; return 7:30pm
Cost: \$62.00 (Includes transportation and dinner-lunch is on your own)

"Fair Oaks Dairy Farm"

Visit the dairy museum with over 60 interactive exhibits. Experience dairy in a whole new way. Absorb the farming lifestyle at one of the modern working farms. Sample some of the award-winning cheeses. Witness the miracle of life at our Birthing Barn. Shop for cheese and various souvenirs in the gifts shop. Have lunch at the Dairy.

When: Thursday, September 25th
Time: Depart 9:00am Return 5:00pm
Cost: \$67 (includes transportation, tours and lunch)

"Camelot" - Drury Lane Theatre

Camelot is a valiant Broadway musical that will transport audiences to the magical and mythical days of medieval England. King Arthur, Queen Guenevere, Sir Lancelot and Merlyn come alive in this exciting tale of love and chivalry. This classic production features a lush, romantic score including "If Ever I Would Leave You", "Camelot", and "Follow Me".

When: Thursday, November 20th
Time: Depart 10:30am Return 4:30pm
Cost: \$74 (includes trans., lunch and show)
 Menu choice of Tilapia or Roast Pork

Eat Your Way Through Chicago

Spend the day exploring Little Italy, Greek Town, China Town, and Old Town. Shop in China Town, Have saganaki in Greek Town, taste authentic Polish-European pastries in Old Town and visit Old Town Oil and the Fudge Pot.

Sign up soon-this trip will fill up fast!!!!!!!!!!
When: Thursday, August 21st
Time: Depart 10:00am; return 5:00pm
Cost: \$60.00

"Lock 16" with Larry and Moe

There's no better way to spend the day than hanging out with Larry, Moe and the Illinois & Michigan Canal pulled by either Larry or Moe. Attend Mule Tending Class and listen to Muletender Jack talk about how the mules are cared for. Stop by the Apple Tree Acres Alpaca farm to visit with lots of Larry amd Moe's favorite alpaca friends. Enjoy a hearty buffet lunch at the Lock 16 Cafe.

When: Thursday, July 17
Cost: \$62 includes transportaion,
 Lock 16 tour and lunch
Time: Depart 9:00am Return 4:00pm
 (handicap accessible)

Attention Seniors!!!

The Crestwood Seniors Club is looking for members. They meet on the First and Third Wednesday of the month at 12:30 p.m.

The club does an array of activities at their meetings. Coffee and sweet rolls are available to be enjoyed as the members visit with each other; planned activities are enjoyed on holidays. For the holidays, the club becomes community involved. The members make favors and bring in presents for nursing home residents...

Consider joining a fun Group. Please call the membership chairperson, Sophie Horvath at 385–7760.

Also, the Biela Seniors Club is looking for members. They meet at the Biela Center on the second and fourth Monday at 12:30 pm. Call the Biela Center for more information.

Rules of the Road Here on October 13th

Secretary of State, Jesse White, in cooperation with local organizations, will offer a Rules of the Road review course at the Biela Center free of charge.

The two-hour session helps prepare drivers for the Illinois driver’s license exam. Topics include written, vision, and road tests.

When: Monday, October 13th, 2014
Time: 1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

Save your spot by calling the Biela Center at 708-371-4860.

Golfer's Tee It Up September 15th at MAYOR PRESTA'S 19TH ANNUAL SENIOR OPEN

Crestwood seniors 55 and older are invited to test their golfing skills at Hollywood Park at the annual Senior Open.

The outing will take place on Monday September 15th from 9:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Everything is free thanks to Mayor Presta and the good friends at Hollywood Park.

Registrations are being taken at the Biela Center, or register by phoning the Biela Center at 371-4860.

The Beverly Hillbillies

All of your favorites from the beloved 60's TV comedy are back-and this time they're singin'!! When oil is discovered on Jed's land he becomes an overnight millionaire and the whole clan moves to Beverly Hills. See this hilarious musical at the Theatre at the Center in Munster, Indiana.

When: Thursday, August 7th
Time: Depart 11:00am
Cost: \$72 (includes transportation, show + lunch
 - choice of Roast Pork or Chicken Epicurean)

MYSTERY IN THE MANSION

We will meet at the "Town Meeting" at the Jacob Henry Mansion in Joliet for a fun-filled, light hearted, personalized package where guests unknowingly become entangled in an intriguing web of drama and suspense. Will YOU become the victim, suspect or-THE KILLER???

When: Thursday, October 16th
Time: Depart 11:00am
Cost: \$72 (includes transportation lunch & show)

"A Christmas Memory"

A Christmas Memory chronicles a young boy's friendship with his eccentric relatives, including his cousin and best friend-Sook. The misfits are inseparable. It's a festive tale whose songs celebrate the simple pleasures of country life, friendship and the joy of giving during the Christmas season.

When: Wednesday, December 10th
Time: Depart 11:00am
Cost: \$72 (includes transportation lunch & show Choice of baked chicken or pork chop)
Cost: The Theatre at the Center (Munster, Indiana)

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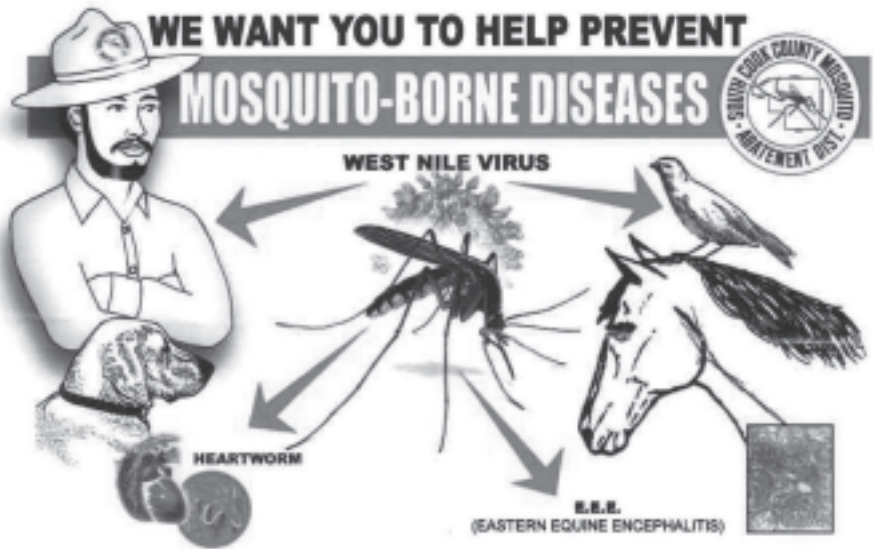
Don’t be disappointed when trips are cancelled. Please sign-up as soon as possible. We have dead-lines for booking the trips. - *The Biela Center*

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING AT THE BIELA CENTER OFFERED ON JULY 30th

Free blood pressure screening will be offered at the Biela Center on Wednesday, JULY 30th, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Barbara, our Biela Center Blood Pressure Nurse will be available.

HEARING SCREENING AT THE BIELA CENTER ON JULY 30th

Bruce from the Audible Center for Hearing Excellence will be here on Wednesday, JULY 30th from 9:30 to 11 a.m. to conduct hearing screenings and to clean and service hearing aids. This service is free for seniors only.



10 Quick Tips on How to Reduce Mosquito Populations Around Your House

Mosquitoes, in addition to being a nuisance, can spread diseases. Here are some specific precautions and measures drawn from the South Cook County Mosquito Abatement District’s webpage, sccmad.com/house.html, that you can take to limit mosquitoes and the harm they may cause. Your neighbors and friends may benefit from these too!

1. After it rains, check your backyard for anything that can hold water - children's toys, flower pots and vases, buckets, wheelbarrows - and drain the water. Remove items such as tires, buckets, and cans. Check your gutters so they don't get clogged and hold water. Anything that can hold water for a few days can breed mosquitoes.
2. Empty and clean out birdbaths weekly. Clean out swimming pools at least once a week. Maintain larger pools properly.
3. Fill in or build up low areas in grass that hold water after rains. Maintain drainage systems.
4. Drill holes in the bottom of garbage cans and recycling bins to drain the water.
5. Keep ditches and streams next to your property free of grass clippings, garbage, and other debris, which will obstruct the natural flow of the water.
6. Store boats upside down or with a cover to prevent water collecting in them.
7. Cut grass and weeds to reduce harborage areas for adult mosquitoes near your house.
8. Stock ponds with small fish that can eat mosquito larva.
9. Contact Crestwood’s Public Works Department at (708) 371-

4800 to maintain empty lots so garbage or vegetation does not accumulate.

10. Check screen doors and windows for holes and rips. If you have a storm drain or catch basin in your backyard, cover it with fine screen mesh or burlap to prevent mosquitoes from entering it. If this is not possible, please contact the Village so we can treat it to prevent mosquito breeding.

Using Mosquito Repellent

When going outside, especially in the evening and at night, use mosquito repellent. Also, if you are working in the garden, other heavily vegetated area, or a shaded area during the day, use a mosquito repellent. Repellents that contain 5-10% DEET are usually the best. Bug zappers and mosquito magnets do not kill large percentages of the mosquitoes present in backyards, so do not rely on this as a means of protecting yourself and your family from mosquitoes.

You are most likely to get West Nile virus late in the summer. This is when the mosquitoes that spread the disease are most common. Even if mosquito populations are low and you are not being bitten at night, you should still use insect repellent. Other diseases spread by mosquitoes in Illinois include Saint Louis encephalitis and La Crosse encephalitis. Worldwide, mosquitoes infect millions of people each year with diseases such as malaria, yellow fever, and dengue fever. Insect repellents will protect you from these diseases as well.

For more information, see the CDC’s webpage about West Nile Virus at www.cdc.gov/westnile.

Gov. Quinn Signs Important Flood Legislation for Cook County Residents



Photo Source: Governor Quinn's Flickr page (Chicago, IL)

Illinois Governor Pat Quinn signed House Bill 3912 on Wednesday, June 18, which authorizes the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago to acquire flood-prone properties and to proceed with local stormwater projects where previously only regional projects were authorized.

HB 3912 was widely supported by Cook County municipal associations, the Council of Governments and agencies with which the MWRD works to address stormwater management across Cook County. The MWRD is grateful to the House and the Senate for passing this bill with 100 percent support and thankful that the General Assembly recognized the importance of this bill.

"These two new tools added to the District's capability will provide needed flood relief assistance to Cook County residents," said MWRD President Kathleen Therese Meany. "We are especially grateful to Representative Elaine Nekritz and Senator Daniel Biss who carried this bill forward in their respective chambers. We are also thankful to all the groups who supported this legislation."

In 2004, the MWRD assumed responsibility for stormwater management in Cook County, and since then, the agency has designed and undergone over \$300 million in regional stormwater projects. These projects yield over \$400 million in benefits. These projects will not address localized flooding, which generally occurs away from major waterways and requires different solutions. Expanding storm sewers, culvert modifications and green infrastructure projects - like permeable parking lots and rain gardens - are the types of solutions necessary to mitigate flooding in these areas. In other cases, there is no reasonable solution other than acquiring these properties and returning them to open space.

The MWRD will soon schedule a public study session to discuss the development of policy guidelines for the property purchase program with the Board of Commissioners. Once approved, the MWRD will accept applications through their respective communities from interested homeowners who have experienced multiple flooding events. MWRD staff will prioritize submittals and develop a priority matrix for submitted property purchases. The MWRD will then begin the process of acquiring properties, demolishing buildings and turning them over to the appropriate government agency.

After the April 2013 rain event that resulted in the third national disaster declaration in three years, the Board of Commissioners approved a Phase II stormwater concept. Phase II focuses on local flooding issues. Over the past year, MWRD staff has collected shovel ready projects from the 133 communities in Cook County. In addition, project areas have been identified that need further study or design. Intergovernmental Agreements have been drafted in anticipation of the signing of this bill and will immediately be distributed to partner communities. Shovel ready projects will be advertised for bid and needed work performed. Projects needing design or study will be assigned engineering teams and start as soon as possible.

Smoke Alarms and Fire Sprinklers

In a May 2014 national Harris Poll survey conducted on behalf of the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition, 74 percent of 1,026 U.S. homeowners said they would be more likely to buy a home with fire sprinklers than one without. Roughly seven in 10 said a sprinklered house has more value and 78 percent said fire sprinklers provide the ultimate protection for residents.

HFSA, funded in part by the National Fire Sprinkler Association, is a 501(c)(3) that aims to inform the public about the life-saving value of fire sprinkler protection in one- and two-family homes. It will post more survey findings this summer at www.homefiresprinkler.org.

The National Fire Sprinkler Association has also issued an updated, comprehensive guide to planning and implementing a successful smoke alarm installation program which can reduce deaths and injuries from fire. The guide, along with smoke alarm tips sheets, videos, statistics, and educational resources, is available at www.safety.blog.nfpa.org.



Government Forms \$968 Million Settlement with SunTrust Mortgage to Combat Foreclosures

Attorney General Lisa Madigan announced on June 18 a \$968 million joint state-federal settlement with mortgage lender and servicer SunTrust Mortgage, Inc. to address mortgage origination, servicing and foreclosure abuses. The settlement will provide direct relief for Illinois borrowers, set tough new mortgage servicing standards and grant oversight authority to an independent monitor.

As part of the national settlement, SunTrust agreed to provide \$500 million in relief directly to borrowers in the form of loan modifications, including principal reductions and refinancing for underwater mortgages. SunTrust also agreed to pay the federal government \$418 million to resolve its potential liability under the federal False Claims Act for originating and underwriting loans that violated its obligations as a participant in the Federal Housing Administration insurance program. Finally, SunTrust agreed to pay \$50 million in cash to redress abusive servicing practices, \$40 million of which will be distributed to borrowers who lost their homes to foreclosure. The settlement requires SunTrust to substantially change how it services loans, handles foreclosures and ensures the accuracy of information provided in federal bankruptcy court. The settlement terms will address past foreclosure abuses, such as robo-signing, improper documentation and lost paperwork.

The National Mortgage Settlement’s independent monitor, Joseph A. Smith, Jr., will oversee SunTrust agreement compliance and implementation of the servicing standards required by the agreement, impose penalties of up to \$1 million per violation (or up to \$5 million for certain repeat violations) and issue regular public reports that identify any quarter in which a servicer fell short of the standards imposed in the settlement.

Illinois borrowers who lost their homes to foreclosure from January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2013 and encountered servicing abuse by SunTrust will be eligible for a payment from the national \$40 million fund for payments to borrowers. The borrower payment amount will depend on how many borrowers file claims. Eligible borrowers will be contacted about how to qualify for payments. Borrowers can also contact SunTrust directly by calling 1-800-634-7928 or visiting www.SunTrustMortgage.com. Illinois residents can also contact the Homeowner Helpline at 1-866-544-7151.

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Sertoma Centre Receives 13th Consecutive CARF Accreditation

The Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) recently announced that Sertoma Centre, Inc. was accredited for a period of three years for the services and programs provided to individuals with disabilities. This latest accreditation marks the 13th consecutive Three-Year Accreditation outcome that the international accrediting commission has awarded to the Sertoma Centre.

This accreditation outcome represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization. It also shows the organization’s substantial conformance to the standards established by CARF. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation outcome has put itself through a rigorous peer review process. It has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable. Gus van den Brink, executive director of Sertoma Centre, thanked his staff for their great work by stating, “The entire staff at Sertoma Centre has a part in creating an exceptional agency and making a real difference in the lives of the individuals served.”

CARF is an independent, not-for-profit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services.



Consumers and Staff Celebrate CARF Achievement
Left to Right Back Row: Adrian Kosowski, Melissa Sands - Consumer Support Services Specialist, William Gordon, Derrick Hudson, Eleanor Slapa, Paula Phillips - Assistant Executive Director, Gus van den Brink – Executive Director. Seated Left to Right: Ida King and Robert Frost



Participating in this groundbreaking ceremony were:
Pictured left to right: Sertoma Centre Board President and Palos Heights Mayor Bob Straz, Sertoma Centre Executive Director Gus van den Brink, HACC Executive Director Richard Monocchio, State Representative Al Riley, DMH's Statewide Housing Coordinator Lindsay Huth, CSH's John Fallon, IHA's Executive Director Mary Kenney and Homewood Mayor Richard Hofeld.

Sertoma Centre Breaks Ground on New Supportive Housing Project

Sertoma Centre, Inc. broke ground June 11 for Kimball Court Apartments, a permanent supportive housing development in Homewood. The Centre’s executive director, Gus van den Brink, and board president, Bob Straz, joined officials from the Illinois Housing Development Authority, the Housing Authority of Cook County and the Village of Homewood to celebrate the next steps in bringing this development to fruition.

The Permanent Supportive Housing Development program was created to increase housing opportunities for individuals with disabilities, supporting the state’s efforts to remove obstacles to safe and affordable housing to improve the quality of life for individuals with disabilities.

“Permanent Supportive Housing combines apartment-style housing with personal care and other health and wellness services to allow the resident to live independently while emphasizing their personal choice, dignity, privacy and individuality,” said van den Brink. “We are thrilled to be able to offer this option for individuals in the south suburbs. This day would not have been possible without our partners.”

This 16-unit development was financed in part by the Illinois Housing Development Authority, Cook County HOME program, Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Development, the Housing Authority of Cook County and Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health. The three-story apartment complex includes one- and two-bedroom units, studio apartments, a community room, fitness area, laundry facility and reading room. Construction is expected to be complete by summer 2015.

Incarnation Parish Welcomes Father Falana as New Pastor

Fr. Arek Falana was born in Luban, a small town in the southwest area of Poland. He is the oldest of three brothers. Fr. Falana came to the US to join family and entered the seminary system of the Archdiocese of Chicago, attending Saint Joseph College Seminary at Loyola University Chicago and Mundelein Seminary.



Ordained in 2006, his first assignment was as associate pastor of Queen of All Saints Basilica in Chicago. In 2011, God’s call brought him to ministry at Incarnation Parish in Palos Heights. After three years spent in service with the people of Incarnation, Cardinal George appointed Fr. Falana as their new pastor, beginning on July 1st.

Fr. Falana is also proud to have recently completed his pathway to US citizenship and has taken the oath to this country he loves.

Prayers and blessings for his new beginnings!

Business in the Spotlight: Bennie's Pizza

Bennie’s Pizza, family owned and operated, offers the finest homemade, quality pizza around. They combine old world charm, making the same pizza since 1964, and offering a variety of other Italian dishes, using recipes that have been passed down for three generations from Sicily and Calabria.

Bennie's only uses the freshest and highest quality ingredients, including the best meats and cheeses available. They believe good food comes from quality ingredients and simple flavors. Their crust is made fresh daily from scratch and their homemade sauce is slow-cooked for hours before it hits your mouth. Other homemade selections on the menu include their signature Italian breaded pork chop sandwich, mouthwatering Italian beef, unsurpassed meatballs, and the best sweet peppers you've ever tasted. They also have a delicious assortment of appetizers from calamari to wings.

Bennie's offers carryout, delivery, catering, and a small dine-in area. Stop by and check them out - you haven't had great pizza until you've had Bennie's Pizza. Bennie's Pizza is located at 5423 135th St in Crestwood, or give them a call at (708) 293-1010. Mangia!



July Events at Crestwood Public Library

Adult Programs

Identity Theft Protection

Looking for some tips to help protect yourself against identity theft? Join us for a special presentation from our guest speaker from First Midwest Bank. Please register . Monday, July 21, at 6:00pm

Medicare Seminar

Medicare Specialist and guest speaker Gary Tarnopol will return to the library to discuss options about Medicare supplements, Advantage Programs, and Rx programs questions. Please register. Monday, July 7 at 6:00pm.

Floral Wreath Class

Stampin' Up's Debbie Spano returns to the Crestwood Library this summer with a special craft! Stop by and make a beautiful summer floral wreath. Please register
Ages 15 and up Cost is Free Monday, July 14 at 6:00pm

Special Programs for All Ages Singer Kym Frankovelgia

Our musical guest Kym Frankovelgia returns to the library this summer! Come and enjoy an afternoon listening to and singing along with some classic favorites and special requests. Tickets are free. Bring a friend! Saturday, July 12 at 2:00pm

Wild and Wacky Pet Show

Chris McBrien returns with his comical puppets for a hour long puppet show for kids of all ages. Tuesday, July 8 at 6:00pm Free tickets are available at the front desk.

Animals For Awareness

Join us for this one hour program featuring exotic animals rescued by Animals for Awareness. Donations of canned fruit and veggies are appreciated. Tuesday, July 22, 2014 at 6:00pm Free tickets available at the front desk.

Youth Programs

Programs for All Ages

Tiny Tots: Ages 12-36 mo Fridays at 10:30am
Story Time: Ages 3-6 Thursdays at 11:00am
Animal Adventures: Ages 7-10 Thurs. at 3:00pm
Movie Mondays: July 7, 14, 21, & 28 at 12:30pm
Lego Club: Grades K-4 Mon. July 16 & 30 at 3:00pm
Chess Club: Ages 7 & up. Fridays at 12:00pm

Read to The Dogs

Piranna-Banna & Birdy, our favorite Therapy Dogs will be back to hear children grades K-5 read out loud to them. Please register for a time slot. Tuesday, July 1 from 5:00-6:00pm

Crafts for Everyone

Kids Craft Class: Ages 6-9 Animal Bead Necklaces Monday July 7 @ 3:00pm
Tween Craft Class: Grades 3 and up: Perler Beads Monday, July 21 at 3:00pm
Young Adult Rock Art: Grades 6 & up Wed., July 16 at 2:00pm

I Love My Rescued Pet

Join us as Emily Kinny from ME4E shows us how wonderful adopted animals are. Various adopted pets will be brought to see and visit with. Tickets at Front Desk. Wednesday, July 9 at 6:00pm.

Registration Required for all programs. Call 708-371-4090 for details.

Fun & Entertainment

*Sudoku and Crossword Answers appear in next issue

FREE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING FOR CRESTWOOD RESIDENTS!

CRESTWOOD RESIDENTS are invited to place free advertisements in the Crestwood Adviser. Free classified ads are offered to Village of Crestwood residents only and are limited to 20 words or less and can include information related to the following items:

- Garage Sales
- Lost and Found
- Large Appliances
- Automobiles
- Motorcycles
- Boats and Trailers

NON-RESIDENTS AND AREA BUSINESSES can place classified advertisements for goods and services for just \$5.00 for twenty words under the following categories:

- Garage Sales
- Appliance and Electronics Sales
- Transportation (Cars, Boats, Motorcycles)
- Homes for Sale or Rent
- Apartments for Sale or Rent
- Employment Openings
- Jobs Wanted

To place your classified ad call 708-293-1430

SUDOKU

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3x3 box accommodates the digits 1 – 9, without repeating any.

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June Sudoku Solution

5	8	6	1	7	3	4	2	9
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1	2	5	7	8	6	9	4	3
6	7	9	4	3	2	8	5	1
8	3	4	5	9	1	2	7	6
4	9	1	3	2	7	5	6	8
7	6	8	9	4	5	1	3	2
2	5	3	6	1	8	7	9	4

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

Dixie Narco 501E soda vending machine and AP5000 snack & candy vending machine dispenses snacks JR. \$2,500 or best offer. Price is not negotiable. Call JR at 773-587-6019.

FOR SALE

Classic Oak roll top desk 60" x 36" x 56" with surge protector. Asking \$200.00 or best offer. Call Lorraine at (708) 473-9395.

GARAGE SALE

Pooltable/pingpong combo w/accessories \$450.00 or best offer. If any questions - please call Martha at (708) 388-6543.

June Crossword Solution

A	D	O	P	T		B	A	T	H		C	A	T	S
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ACROSS

- 1 Skewer
- 5 Sham
- 9 Sporty car brand
- 14 Mountain lion
- 15 Pierce
- 16 Express indifference
- 17 Iraq's neighbor
- 18 Tails
- 19 Scorch
- 20 No Nonsense competitor
- 22 Composer Bach
- 24 MGM's Lion
- 25 Seasoned
- 27 National capital
- 31 Abbreviate (abbr.)
- 32 Deer
- 34 Yang's partner
- 35 Actor Alda
- 38 Newly ____, Nearly Dead
- 40 Jack __
- 42 __ cum laude

- 44 Sister for short
- 46 El Qahira
- 47 Advises
- 48 Sport's official
- 50 Hornet
- 51 __ Lanka
- 52 Held
- 55 Monk's hood
- 57 Sight organs
- 59 Residential district
- 61 Make lace
- 64 Tall tree
- 66 Lumpy
- 68 Bye
- 71 Told a tall tale
- 73 Cleaning agent
- 74 Italian "dollars"
- 75 Jewish scribe
- 76 Parlay
- 77 Inanimate
- 78 Relax
- 79 Tolls

DOWN

- 1 Drop the drink
- 2 Mush up
- 3 Adult insect
- 4 Zest
- 5 South by east
- 6 Entreats solemnly
- 7 Elan
- 8 Mushed together
- 9 Association (abbr.)
- 10 Khaki cotton twill
- 11 Pot
- 12 Carpet
- 13 Grow older
- 21 Bro. or sis.
- 23 Hoopla
- 26 North by west
- 28 Asian country
- 29 Deceivers
- 30 Upon (2 wds.)
- 31 Green Gables dweller
- 33 Escudo

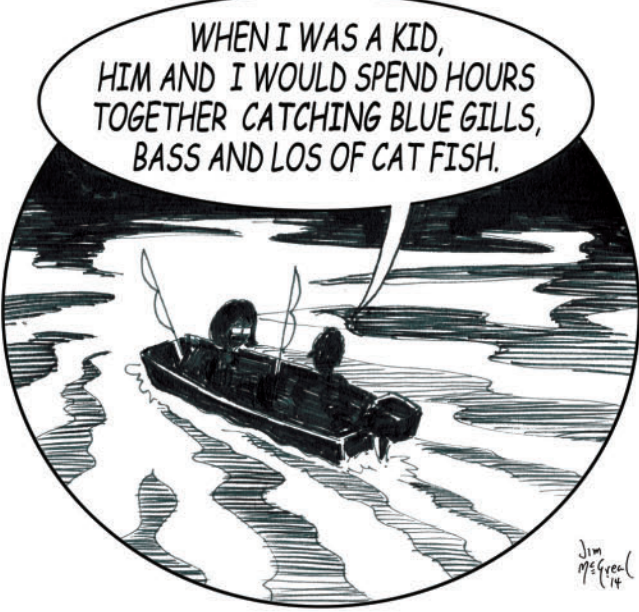
- 35 Entertain
- 36 One of the Stooges
- 37 Agricultural student
- 39 Director (abbr.)
- 41 Machine bolt
- 43 Tree
- 45 Fortifiers
- 49 Pro
- 53 Poisonous snake
- 54 Deader
- 56 Compass point
- 58 Pointed weapon
- 60 Cloth
- 61 Cut of beef
- 62 Lessen
- 63 Kinds
- 65 Expel
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- 69 Rumpus
- 70 Anger
- 72 Digital audio tape

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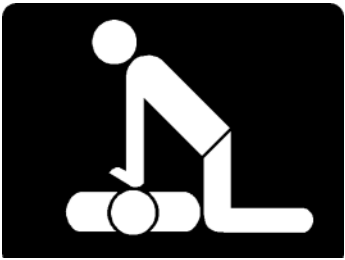
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Crestwood Fire Department 2014 CPR Classes



August 5th	Healthcare Provider
September 4th	Heartsaver AED
October 1st	Healthcare Provider
December 3rd	Healthcare Provider

Village Hall
13840 S. Cicero Ave
6:00-10:00 pm

Cost:		Heartsaver	
Healthcare Provider			
Resident	\$35.00	Resident	\$25.00
Non-resident	\$45.00	Non-resident	\$35.00

*All students must be registered with village hall prior to day of class.
Classes may be cancelled due to low enrollment.*

Bill Nyhanna-CPR Coordinator **708-371-4805** bill@nyhanna.net

CRESTWOOD LIBRARY

Summer Pet Supply
Collection for
Animal Welfare
Animal Shelter



All cat and dog supplies, especially all dry food
canned cat food and cat litter, as well as dog
& cat toys, towels and blankets are needed.
Bring all donations to the library from
June 9-August 2, 2014

Stop in for a complete list of items needed

- JOB LISTING -

NOTICE FROM McDONALD'S OWNER:

McDonalds on 13630 S. Cicero Ave in Crestwood is now hiring. They're rebuilding the store now and it will be open on **August 15th**. Applications are available for pick up at the Village Hall at 13840 S. Cicero Ave or apply online at **www.mcstate.com**

Employment Opportunities at Elim Christian Services

We are always looking for good people who want to equip people who live with disabilities to answer God's call on their lives.

- Paraeducator: 60+ college credits or Paraprofessional Cert Required
- Church Relationship Coordinator
- Administrative Asst. for Related Services/ School improvement-part time
- Director of Facilities and Transportation
- DSP/Instructional Assistant

To be considered for employment, please complete the employment application online at www.elimcs.org/careers. Please submit the application via email, mail or fax. Please no phone calls & avoid dropping off your application in person. Send applications, resume and other materials to **hrjobs@elimcs.org or fax to (708) 293-2354.**

Another Fine Crestwood T-Ball Season

Crestwood T-Ball has wrapped up another fun season. There were a few changes in this year's season that worked out pretty well. Thank you Mayor Presta for starting the year rolling by offering T-Ball free to Crestwood residents and at a discounted rate to non-residents. We ended up with about 70 players on five full teams. Games were still played on Wednesdays and Saturdays, but this year we added a few Mondays.

As most of you know, Mondays have been and continue to be Ladies' night at Walker Park with their four 'Powder Puff' softball games taking up most of the park. And don't let that name fool you; those ladies play as hard with their 14" mush ball as the men play 16". (You should try to make it out there one Monday night to watch a game.)

For T-Ball, Monday was like Retro Night with the games being played down by the tennis courts and the rocket. For those that remember, all the games for T-Ball used to be played at that end of Walker Park. It wasn't until the mid-late 90's that T-Ball was allowed on the actual diamonds. Monday nights were fun. One Wednesday night, on account of all the rain, the only dry spot in all of Walker Park where we could fit a game in was literally at the rocket. The center fielder was close enough to the fins of the rocket that we had to put a parent out there for safety. We played the complete game that surprisingly ended in a tie. Despite the rain, there were very few cancelled games and each team was also able to get one or two night games in.

The All-Star game was played Friday, June 6th in front of a full stand. This game did not end in a tie. I don't remember which team scored more runs but everyone won. It was a beautiful night to watch a game and great night to play in one.

The next day, Saturday, June 7th, was the Annual T-Ball Picnic. The nice weather continued to shine on Crestwood T-Ball, mostly sunny with temperatures in the low to mid 80's. The regular games were followed by the T-Ball families picnicking around the fields. Skill games and an inflatable obstacle course provided by The Fun Ones were kept very busy by the players and their families. Special thanks to the Crestwood fastpitch softball girls that kept the games running smoothly and kept the kids moving through the obstacle course. Victoria, the face

painter, had her hands full with 100+ children putting on Spiderman and Frozen faces along with butterflies and zombie wounds. Scoopie, the Culver's ice cream cone mascot, arrived on Walker Park's golf cart to pass out over 100 of their soft serve ice cream cups to the kids for dessert. Then Crestwood's Finest came out to cool off all the kids, and a few parents, with the snorkel truck. A wonderful time was had by everyone.

Usually the picnic marks the end of the T-Ball season. The season normally ends the weekend before Father's Day because a lot of families use Father's Day to start their family trips and vacations. Because Father's Day was early this year, we wanted to extend the season beyond the picnic so we would still keep our 12-14 game schedule. After one last Retro Monday, our final game was held on Wednesday. Another Crestwood T-Ball season sadly ended. It's always amazing to see how the kids grow during the season. For many of the children, T-Ball is their first experience outside the house without structure like a pre-school. It's the first time they interact with a group of kids without their parents' direct supervision. They start to learn skills which improve during the course of the season. Kids that are shy or are hesitant to even play at the first practice become fans and players by the end of the season.

A big THANK YOU goes out to all the coaches that dedicate their time to the players, to the parents for making sure the players make it to games and practices, and to the kids for trying their best and entertaining us. Crestwood T-Ball families would also like to thank our excellent Public Works Dept. for the work they are doing on the Concession Stand and how they dropped other things to get the real bathrooms open for us. See you next year!



SPORTS

Bandits Blow Thunderbolts Away at ‘Battle of the Sexes’



Left: Evan Button, of the ThunderBolts, has a laugh with Bandits' Jenna Grim for the Battle of the Sexes at Standard Bank Stadium, Monday, June 23rd, in Crestwood. Right: ThunderBolts Evan Button and Chicago Bandits RT Cantillo chat after the game while signing autographs

More than 1,500 ballgame fans gathered June 23 to watch the men from Crestwood’s Windy City Thunderbolts baseball team play the women from Rosemont’s Chicago Bandits fastpitch softball team in a “Battle of the Sexes” at Standard Bank Stadium. The Bandits, a two-time National Pro Fastpitch World Champion professional 12” fastpitch softball team, trounced the Thunderbolts 8-0.

Rains had soaked ballgame fields in much of the surrounding area, causing many other games to be cancelled but clearing the way for many ballgame fans to attend this game. Crestwood Fastpitch Association had over a hundred players and family members in attendance. Other villages’ recreational fastpitch organizations were also well represented - Midlothian, Palos, Oak Lawn, Tinley Park and Oak Forest to name a few. Club organizations such as the Ice, the A’s, the Vipers, and the Rockers were also well represented. It was quite noticeable that there were more fastpitch groups attending the game than baseball groups.

The players used fastpitch softball’s standard 12” yellow ball. Though it does fit in a baseball mitt, a baseball mitt is conditioned for a 9” ball. The pitcher’s mound was set at 43’ from home plate and the bases were 60’ apart, both standards for fastpitch. Standard baseball fields are usually 60’6” for the pitcher’s mound and 90’ for the bases. The Thunderbolts brought in Blaine Nicholson, a local men’s fastpitch pitcher, for the game. Thunderbolts pitchers normally throw overhand; for this game they needed someone used to throwing underhand.

The game was very entertaining. For the first two innings, the teams just seemed to be getting used to how the other team played and the pitchers. The men weren’t used to seeing the ball coming from down low and rising and the women weren’t used to seeing the crow hop style of pitching the men

use. That style is illegal in women’s fastpitch. In the third inning, the Bandits started to slap hit their way on (kind of like a bunt) and followed that with some timely base hits and even an extra base hit. The Thunderbolts finally got their first hit in the fifth inning. That was after the Bandits scored another run in the top half of the inning. When the battle was over, the women emerged victorious 8-0.

Both teams tried very hard to do their best. With fastpitch, the reaction times are different than with regular baseball. By the time the fastpitch pitcher releases the ball at 60+ mph, the batter only has about 38’ to decide what to do, while in baseball they have about 58’. The men always have a harder time with the pitching. As expected, several Thunderbolts players struck out. Some of the Bandits players also struck out. With the shortened base paths, the women seemed to have the advantage. In fastpitch, the normal depth for shortstop or second base is about 5’ behind the base path giving a player about 65-70’ to react to the ball. Even with the hard-hitting men, the Bandits had few errors. On the other hand, the Thunderbolts are used to the larger base paths. At their normal playing depth, they usually have 100-105’ to react. Consequently, the Thunderbolts had several routine ground balls get through; and either because they were closer or because of the size of the larger ball, the infield dropped several balls. But the best play of the game came when the Thunderbolts hit a short fly ball to very shallow right and the Bandits right fielder raced in and made a diving catch, while stretched out on the field, catching the ball inches before it hit the ground. Maybe it’s a You-Tube highlight, you should see it. ESPN wishes they had it.

After the game, both the Thunderbolts and Bandits players signed autographs and mingled with the fans in the field, which delighted the crowd. The players were happy to show their appreciation to their fans. The Bandits announced that ticket stubs for the “Battle of the Sexes” game would be honored at the Bandits Stadium in Rosemont for one of the Bandits games in early July.

Megan Wiggins, of the Bandits, connects for a 2 run triple against the ThunderBolts for the Battle of the Sexes at Standard Bank Stadium, Monday, June 23rd, 2014, in Crestwood.

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